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Applicants: SATOSHI YUZAWA ET AL.

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Title: WOOD-BASED DECORATIVE ARTICLE AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

REPLY

Director of the United States
Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

This Reply is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2003.

Applicants reiterate the requests to appropriately cite the Sadashige ('449) document on a Form PTO-892 and to restart the period for reply set forth in the Request for Copy of Reference and to Restart Period for Reply filed December 19, 2003. To date, no response to the Request has been received.

A copy of the Request is appended to this Reply, along with a copy of a postcard showing receipt of the Request by the U.S.

Patent and Trademark Office on December 19, 2003. Pursuant to

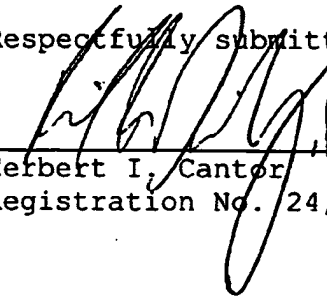
the Request, no extension of time should be due in connection

with this Reply. If, however, it is determined that the

Reply, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney.

Date: April 5, 2004

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